

## Fair Housing Law

In accordance with the D.C. Human Rights Act of 1977, as amended, D.C. Official Code Section 2-1401.01 *et seq.*, (Act) the District of Columbia does not discriminate on the basis of actual or perceived:

Race
Color
Religion
National Origin
Sex (Gender or sexual harassment)
Age
Marital Status
Sexual Orientation

Personal Appearance
Familial Status
Family Responsibilities
Matriculation
Political Affiliation
Disability
Source of Income
Place of Residence
or Business

Sexual harassment is a form of sex discrimination which is prohibited by the Act. In addition, harassment based on any of the above categories is also prohibited by the Act. Discrimination in violation of the Act will not be tolerated. Violators will be subject to disciplinary action.

It is unlawful for any person to practice discrimination in the rental or sale of housing accommodations and commercial space in the District of Columbia on the basis of the above categories.

The D.C. Human Rights Act of 1977, Section 2-1402.21 of the D.C. Code, prohibits acts performed wholly or partially for a discriminatory reason:

"To interrupt, or terminate, or refuse, or fail to initiate or conduct any transaction in real property; or to require different terms for such transaction; or to represent falsely that an interest in real property is not available for transaction;..."

Similar prohibitions apply to "blockbusting," "steering," and financing.

Complaints of possible violations of this law may be filed with:

## **Government of the District of Columbia Office of Human Rights**

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